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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

Claim 1 (Cancelled)

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): A device for storing an article for protecting an automobile body, said device comprising:

a first article, which is configured to protect an exterior portion of the automobile body;
and

a second article, which surrounds an axis of rotation positioned within the automobile body,

wherein said first article and said second article are attached to form a rotatable body, which rotates about said axis of rotation, said rotatable body having a first position and a second position such that, in said first position, said first article extends from the automobile body to protect the automobile body, and, in said second position, said first article is concealed within the automobile body, and

wherein the rotating body must rotate 180 degrees to change its position from said first position to said second position.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The device of claim 2, wherein said second article is formed of the same material as the automobile body.

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Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The device of claim 2, further comprising:

a switch, which is operative to activate electric power to rotate said rotating body between said first position and said second position,
wherein said switch is located inside the automobile.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The device of claim 2, further comprising:

a switch, which is operative to activate electric power to rotate said rotating body between said first position and said second position,
wherein said switch is a remote controller.

Claim 6 (Cancelled)

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): A device for storing an article for protecting an automobile body, said device comprising:

a first article, which is configured to protect an exterior portion of the automobile body;
and

a second article, which surrounds an axis of rotation positioned within the automobile body,

wherein said first article and said second article are attached to form a rotatable body, which rotates about said axis of rotation, said rotatable body having a first position and a second position such that, in said first position, said first article extends from the automobile body to

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protect the automobile body, and, in said second position, said first article is concealed within the automobile body, and

wherein, with respect to a cross-section taken perpendicular to said axis of rotation, said axis of rotation extends along the center of said second article.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The device of claim 7, wherein said second article is formed of the same material as the automobile body.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The device of claim 7, further comprising:

a switch, which is operative to activate electric power to rotate said rotating body between said first position and said second position,

wherein said switch is located inside the automobile.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The device of claim 7, further comprising:

a switch, which is operative to activate electric power to rotate said rotating body between said first position and said second position,

wherein said switch is a remote controller.

Claim 11 (Cancelled)